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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION'S INDEPENDENT PANEL REVIEWING THE IMPACT OF HURRICANE KATRINA ON COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS; AND INDEPENDENT PANEL'S FIRST MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 30, 2006

Washington, D.C.: This Public Notice serves as notice that, consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, Federal Communications Commission Chairman Kevin J. Martin has appointed persons to serve as members of the Commission's Independent Panel Reviewing the Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Communications Networks. The Panel will review the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the telecommunications and media infrastructure in the affected area and will make recommendations to the Commission regarding ways to improve disaster preparedness, network reliability, and communications among first responders by June 15, 2006.

The Independent Panel is scheduled to hold its first meeting on Monday, January 30, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305), Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. At its first meeting, the Panel will discuss a tentative timeline and process for completion of its task by June 15, 2006 and its committee structure. The Panel will also introduce and receive brief statements from panel members about the impact of Hurricane Katrina on their company's or industry sector's communications infrastructure as well as issues on which the panel should focus.

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many people as possible. Admittance, however, will be limited to the seating available. Real Audio access to the meeting will be available at www.fcc.gov/. The public may submit written comments before the meeting to Lisa M. Fowlkes, the Commission's Designated Federal Officer for the Independent Panel at lisa.fowlkes@fcc.gov or by U.S. Postal Mail (FCC, Enforcement Bureau, 7-C737, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554).

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need including as much detail as you can. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Please allow at least 5 days advance notice; last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

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MEMBERS OF THE FCC'S INDEPENDENT PANEL REVIEWING THE IMPACT OF HURRICANE KATRINA ON COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

(Designated Federal Officer: Lisa M. Fowlkes)

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Public Safety Organizations

Patrick Yoes, Captain, Special Services Division Commander/Public Information Officer, St. Charles Sheriff's Office (also President, Louisiana Fraternal Order of Police and National Secretary, Fraternal Order of Police)

Lt. Colonel Joseph Booth, Deputy Superintendent of the Louisiana State Police

Edwin D. Smith, Chief, Baton Rouge Fire Department

Stephen A. Dean, Fire Chief, City of Mobile, Alabama

Sheriff Edmund M. "Ted" Sexton, Sr., President, National Sheriffs' Association

Major Michael Sauter, Commander of New Orleans Police Dept.'s Office of Technology and Communication

Kevin Beary, Sheriff, Orange County, Florida

Robert G. (Gil) Bailey, ENP, Telecommunications Manager, Harrison County Emergency Communications Commission, Gulfport, Mississippi

Jonathan D. Linkous, Executive Director, American Telemedicine Association

Wireline Telecommunications Providers

William L. Smith, Chief Technology Officer, BellSouth Corporation Marion Scott, Vice President of Operations, CenturyTel

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Michael Anderson, Chairman, PART-15.ORG

Others

Billy Pitts, Chief Business Affairs Officer and Washington Representative, Notification Technologies, Inc.

Adora Obi Nweze, President, NAACP Florida State Conference, Member, NAACP National Board of Directors, Director, NAACP Hurricane Relief Efforts

Eduardo Peña, Board Member, League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)